

**REMARKS**

Amendments to the specification are reflected in the enclosed Substitute Specification and marked-up copy thereof. A reference to the PCT International Application and the Japanese priority application has been inserted. In addition, the sub-headings have been amended to conform to US format.

The claims have been amended to change the phrase "characterized in that" to --wherein--, characterized by" to --further comprising--, and to delete the multiple dependencies.

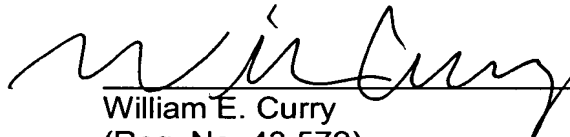
Examination of this application in view of these amendments is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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